information to a user, said method comprising:

an extraction step of searching a first database for a first information corresponding to an inputted code and extracting the first information;

a first information layout determination step of determining a layout for printing the first information on a paper sheet in accordance with the first information extracted in said extraction step;

an attachment step of attaching a second information that is extracted from a second database and is printed in a margin on the paper sheet to the first information when the user elects to attach the second information to the first information; and

an output step of outputting the first information with the second information attached thereto in said attached step in accordance with the layout, wherein:

an insertion condition for attaching the second information is set in the first information by an information provider, and

said attachment step attaches the second information to the first information in accordance with the insertion condition.

14. (Twice Amended) The method according to claim 10, further comprising a first registration step of registering the first information in which the insertion condition is set in the first database.

29. (Thrice Amended) An information providing system for providing information to a user, said system comprising:

an extraction circuit for searching a first database for a first information corresponding to an inputted code and extracting the first information;

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a first information layout determination circuit for determining a layout for printing the first information on a paper sheet in accordance with the first information extracted by said extraction circuit,

an attachment circuit for attaching a second information that is extracted from a second database and is printed in a margin on the paper sheet to the first information when the user elects to attach the second information to the first information; and

an output unit for outputting the first information with the second information attached thereto by said attachment circuit in accordance with the layout, wherein:

an insertion condition for attaching the second information is set in the first information by an information provider, and

said attachment circuit attaches the second information to the first information in accordance with the insertion condition.

42. (Thrice Amended) The system according to claim 29, further comprising a first registration circuit for registering the first information in which the insertion condition is set in the first database.

60. (Thrice Amended) A computer-readable storage medium storing a program for implementing an information providing method for providing information to a user, the program comprising:

program code for an extraction step of searching a first database for a first information corresponding to an inputted code and extracting the first information;

program code for a first information layout determination step of determining a layout for printing the first information on a paper sheet in accordance with the first information

extracted in the extraction step;

program code for an attachment step of attaching a second information that is extracted from a second database and is printed in a margin on the paper sheet to the first information when the user elects to attach the second information to the first information; and

program code for an output step of outputting the first information with the second information attached thereto in the attachment step in accordance with the layout, wherein:

an insertion condition for attaching the second information is set in the first information by an information provider, and

the attachment step attaches the second information to the first information in accordance with the insertion condition.

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88. (Twice Amended) A terminal apparatus connected to a server via a network,

said server comprising:

an extraction circuit for searching a first database for a first information corresponding to an inputted code and extracting the first information;

a first information layout determination circuit for determining a layout for printing the first information on a paper sheet in accordance with the first information extracted by said extraction circuit;

an attachment circuit for attaching a second information that is extracted from a second database and is printed in a margin on the paper sheet to the first information when a user elects to attach the second information to the first information; and

an output unit for outputting the first information with the second

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information attached thereto by said attachment circuit in accordance with the layout,

wherein an insertion condition for attaching the second information is set in the first information by an information provider, and

wherein said attachment circuit attaches the second information to the first information in accordance with the insertion condition, and

said terminal apparatus comprising:

an image input unit for inputting an original image;

a transmission circuit for sending the inputted original image to the server for registering the inputted original image as the first information in the first database;

an input unit for inputting the code via the network; and

a printer for receiving the information outputted by said output unit via the network, and printing the received information.

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104. (New) The method according to claim 1, wherein, when the user sets an insertion area for attaching the second information to the first information, said attachment step attaches the second information to the first information in accordance with the insertion condition and the insertion area.

105. (New) The method according to claim 1, wherein the insertion condition is set either to permit insertion of the second information, to permit insertion of the second information in a lower level, or not to permit insertion of the second information.

106. (New) The system according to claim 29, wherein, when the user sets an insertion area for attaching the second information to the first information, said attachment